

Moderation Urged in Capital Rights March

Policy Statement by Sponsors Asks Orderly Participation in Wednesday Demonstration

WASHINGTON (AP) — Leaders of the 10 groups sponsoring Wednesday's Washington "march for jobs and freedom" issued this statement Sunday:

"The Washington march of Aug. 28 is more than just a demonstration.

"It was conceived as an outpouring of deep feeling of millions of white and colored American citizens that the time has come for the government of the United States of America, and particularly the Congress of that government, to grant and guarantee complete equality in citizenship to the Negro minority of our populations.

"As such, the Washington march is a living petition—in the flesh—of the scores of thousands of citizens of both races who will be present from all parts of our country.

Proud, Not Arrogant

"It will be orderly, but not subservient. It will be proud, but not arrogant. It will be non-violent, but not timid. It will be unified in purpose and behavior, not splintered into groups and individual competitors. It will be outspoken, but not raucous.

"It will have the dignity befitting a demonstration in behalf of the human rights of 20 millions of people, with the eye and the judgment of the world focused upon Washington, D.C., on Aug. 28, 1963.

"In a neighborhood dispute, there may be stunts, rough words and even hot insults; but when a whole people speaks to its government, the dialogue and the action must be on a level reflecting the worth of that people and the responsibility of that government.

"We, the undersigned, who see the Washington march as wrapping up the dreams, hopes, ambitions, tears and prayers of millions who have lived for this day, call upon the members, followers, and wellwishers of our several organizations to make the march a disciplined and purposeful demonstration.

Resist Violence

"We call upon them all, black and white, to resist provocations to disorder and to violence.

"We ask them to remember that evil persons are determined to smear this march and to discredit the cause of equality by deliberate efforts to stir disorder.

"We call for self-discipline, so that no one in our own ranks, however enthusiastic, shall be the spark for disorder.

"We call for resistance to the efforts of those who, while not enemies of the march as such, might seek to use it to advance causes not dedicated primarily to civil rights or to the welfare of our country.

"We ask each and everyone in attendance in Washington or in spiritual attendance back home, to place the cause above all else.

Irresponsible Few

"Do not permit a few irresponsibles to hang a new problem around our necks as we return home. Let's do what we came to do—place the national human rights problem squarely on the doorstep of the national congress and of the federal government.

"Let's win at Washington."

The statement was signed by: Mathew Ahmann, executive director of the National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice; the Rev. Eugene Carson Blake, vice-

chairman of the Commission on Race Relations of the National Council of Churches of Christ in America; James Farmer, national director of the Congress of Racial Equality; the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference; John Lewis, chairman of the Student Nonviolent Co-ordinating Committee; Rabbi Joachim Prinz, chairman of the American Jewish Congress; A. Philip Randolph, president of the Negro American Labor Council; Walter Reuther, president of the United Automobile Workers, AFL-CIO; Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People; and Whitney Young, executive direc-

tor of the National Urban League.

Rabbi Prinz will lead a delegation of 1,500 members of the congress to the planned Aug. 28 march on Washington.